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## SPONSORS SOUGHT; TRAINING SET FOR SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – Sponsors are being sought and training has been set for the 2017 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) for residential camps and Upward Bound programs.

Residential camps whose enrollment includes needy children are encouraged to participate as sponsors in the Summer Food Service Program, as are Upward Bound programs with qualified participants.

The SFSP provides nutritious meals and/or snacks for free to children under the age of 18 without regard to race, color, national origin, age (within regulatory limits), sex or disability, from May until September when schools are not in session. Sponsors of the Summer Food Service Program receive reimbursement for all eligible meals served.

Qualified sponsors are reimbursed for program operating and administrative expenses based on the number of eligible meals served. To be eligible, sponsors must:

- provide continuing service to the community
- serve meals on a regular schedule to children or provide meals as a part of an organized program for enrolled children at camps
- show they are financially and administratively capable of operating the program

The annual training for new and returning residential camp sponsors is November 7. The annual training for Upward Bound sponsors, both new and returning, is scheduled for November 9. Both trainings will take place at the Capital Plaza Tower, 500 Mero St., 23rd floor training room, Frankfort, KY 40601. Training will begin at 9:30 a.m. ET and end no later than 3:30 p.m.

Interested participants should pre-register for the training in the Links box at https://cnips.education.kv.gov/cnips/Splash.aspx.

Please contact Mike Sullivan by email at <a href="mailto:Michael.Sullivan@education.ky.gov">Michael.Sullivan@education.ky.gov</a> or by phone at (502) 564-5625, ext. 4930, for more information.

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